

For Immediate Release July 5, 2006

Contact: Office of Public Affairs, 703-417-8370

New Cell Phone Waiting is Open at Reagan National

Provides Alternative to "Driving Around in Circles"

Customers who drive to Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport now have a new option when picking up airline passengers. The Airports Authority has constructed a new, 34-space Cell Phone Waiting Area where motorists can wait for a call from arriving passengers. The Waiting Area opened today, July 5, 2006.

Drivers may use the Cell Phone Waiting Area on a first-come, first-served basis. Drivers must remain with the vehicle at all times. Vehicles may not stay for more than one hour. No commercial vehicles are allowed in the Cell Phone Waiting Area.

"This is a great new resource for our customers who drive to Reagan National," said James E. Bennett, President/CEO of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority. "With the new security measures in place prohibiting motorists from waiting at the terminal curbside, this new area provides them another option. Giving motorists a free place to pull over and wait, rather than circle the airport, will improve safety and reduce congestion on the Airport roadways."

The new Cell Phone Waiting Area was created next to the roadway which carries traffic from the front of Terminal B/C. Initially, it will be signed with electronic message boards to familiarize motorists with its location. Directions to the Area will also be added to permanent signage around the Airport's roadway system.

A location map of the Cell Phone Waiting area appears on the next page.

####

Page 2 New Cell Phone Waiting Area to Open at Reagan National

